

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)	CASE NO. 1:21 CR 596
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Plaintiff)	JUDGE SOLOMON OLIVER, JR.
)	
v.)	ORDER ACCEPTING PLEA
)	AGREEMENT, JUDGMENT AND
SHAUN BENNAFIELD,)	REFERRAL TO U.S. PROBATION
)	<u>OFFICE</u>
Defendant)	

This case is before the Court on a Report and Recommendation filed by United States Magistrate Judge Carmen E. Henderson, regarding the change of plea hearing of Shaun Bennafeld, which was referred to the Magistrate Judge with the consent of the parties.

On August 25, 2021, the government filed a 6 count Indictment, charging Defendant Bennafeld in count 5 with Felon in Possession of a Firearm and Ammunition in violation of Title 18 U.S.C. § 922(g) and 924(a)(2). Defendant was arraigned on August 26, 2021, and entered a plea of not guilty to count 5 of the Indictment, before Magistrate Judge Carmen E. Henderson. On March 22, 2022, Magistrate Judge Henderson received Defendant Bennafeld's plea of guilty to count 5 of the Indictment and issued a Report and Recommendation ("R&R"), concerning whether the plea should be accepted and a finding of guilty entered.

Neither party submitted objections to the Magistrate Judge's R&R in the fourteen days after it was issued.

On de novo review of the record, the Magistrate Judge's R&R is adopted. Defendant Bennafeld is found to be competent to enter a plea and to understand his constitutional rights. He is aware of the charges and of the consequences of entering a plea. There is an adequate factual basis

for the plea. The court finds the plea was entered knowingly, intelligently, and voluntarily. The plea agreement is approved.

Therefore, Defendant Shaun Bennafield is adjudged guilty to count 5 of the Indictment, in violation of Title 18:922(g)(1) and 924(a)(2). This matter was referred to the U.S. Probation Department for the completion of a pre-sentence investigation and report. Sentencing will be on July 15, 2022, at 10:30 a.m. in Courtroom 19A, Carl B. Stokes United States Court House, 801 West Superior Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/s/SOLOMON OLIVER, JR.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

April 19, 2022